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Sir:

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- 1. Information Disclosure Statement:
- 2. Form PTO-1449 listing 156 documents;
- 3. Copies of the 156 documents as listed on Form PTO-1449; and
- 4. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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